After implementation of life extension works on thermal units during the 10th Plan, there will be about 57% increase in thermal generation and the life of about 11000 MW capacity will get extended by another 15-20 years. In addition, by carrying out R&M of hydro generating units during the 10th Plan, additional generation of about 12000 MUs will be available as a result of uprating and life extension of hydro units.

After implementation of R&M works, a reduction in the production cost as a result of improvement in availability, efficiency, heat rate and reduction in auxiliary power consumption, secondary fuel oil consumption, etc., is likely to take place.

States Reorganisation leading to change in Parent State of Power Projects under construction

† 388. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that parent State of power projects under construction has changed after the reorganization of some States;

(b) whether Government will define parent State by issuing orders with regard to projects of Tehri, Vishnuprayag etc. under construction not with standing certain conditions, in the earlier contract; and

(c) whether Government will issue instruction to supply 12 per cent power free of cost to Uttaranchal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) The benefits from Central Sector thermal and hydro-electric power projects are distributed to States/Union Territories in the respective regions in accordance with agreed principles/guidelines. In respect of Central Sector thermal power projects there is allocation of 10% power at bus bar rate to the State in which the power station is located. The formula for sharing of benefits from Central hydro-electric power

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projects provides that 12% of power from the energy generated by power station would be supplied free of cost to those States of the region (including the State where the hydro-electric project is located) where distress is caused by setting up the project at the specific site, like submergence, dislocation of population, the allocation being made in proportion to the extent of such distress. Presently, there is no proposal under consideration of the Government to change these provisions.

The issue of allocation of 12 per cent power free of cost to Uttaranchal from hydroelectric power projects like Tehri HEP Stage-I (1000 MW) and Vishnuprayag (400 MW), located in Uttaranchal, would be decided in due course keeping in view the provisions of relevant agreements, applicable law, as well as guidelines relating to sharing of power among beneficiary States/Union Territories.

Failure of Power System

† 389. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that power system all over the country has failed;

(b) if so, State-wise/metropolitan cities-wise/rural area-wise details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there has been increase in the incidents of failure of grids due to fault in most of the equipments of main distribution system;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps Government proposes to take to streamline the distribution system of electricity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

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